OneVA EA Website Redesign Emphasizes Enterprise Transformation

Washington, D.C., March, 28, 2014 – The Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) Office of Architecture, Strategy and Design (ASD) will soon publish a redesigned OneVA Enterprise Architecture (EA) website on the VA Intranet. The internal-facing site will integrate new content from both the FY 2013-2015 VA Information Resources Management (IRM) Strategic Plan and VA Enterprise Roadmap documents with existing OneVA EA website content.

The OneVA EA Intranet website is an informational resource for leadership and staff across the VA enterprise to view the architecture of VA's operations, capabilities and services which collectively support the administration of VA benefits. The website provides views of the architecture, including dynamic diagrams and reports, to aid leadership and staff in decision making to achieve an effective combination of IT efficiency and business innovation. The OneVA EA April 2014 Release will publish new views, reports and documents associated with the evolution of the architecture, which is a precursor to the website redesign. The redesign will build on the OneVA EA April 2014 Release by integrating content from the VA IRM Strategic Plan and VA Enterprise Roadmap.

The VA IRM Strategic Plan and VA Enterprise Roadmap are an ongoing collaborative effort with each VA Administration's business and technology stakeholders to accurately reflect VA's planned transformations through FY 2015. The documents will be signed in April by VA Deputy Secretary, Sloan Gibson, and will be updated annually thereafter for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The effort exemplifies collaboration as a driving force behind enterprise transformation by integrating the collective inputs from across the Department to present the VA story.

"Our [VA] story is encapsulated in these two documents, and our opportunity is to re-engineer the website content in a way that makes it more useful to the various audiences with the theme of "enterprise transformation," says Lloyd Thrower, VA Chief Architect.

As a result of the redesign, the architecture contained within the OneVA EA website will be tied to the content located in the two authoritative documents, which speaks to VA's mission and IT capabilities, and demonstrates the alignment of activities and investments to the strategic goals, objectives, and transformation plans of the Administrations. This broader picture offers more context for greater use of the architecture to ultimately provide better service and benefits for Veterans and their beneficiaries.

This redesign effort provides a preview of how future development of the integrated OneVA EA website will extend to the VA Internet in order to welcome a wider, more global audience, with fresh perspectives and insight into transformation. The newly integrated OneVA EA Intranet website will be published in May 2014 at http://vaww.ea.oit.va.gov/. Questions may be directed to Pat Lehtma, Director, Office of Enterprise Architecture, Strategic Planning and Accountability, at (202) 461-4290 or Patricia.Lehtma@va.gov.

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